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The Honorable Thomas L. Hughes
Director of Intelligence and Research
Department of State
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hughes:

Thank you so much for your letter of June 17 sending me the publications "Arms Control and Disarmament: Studies in Progress or Recently Completed", and "Political Behavior: A List of Current Studies".

The studies were sent on to our people who maintain our Reference Library. You may be interested in their comments, which are attached.

Yours sincerely,

John A. McCone
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Director

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MEMORANDUM RE: 1. Arms Control and Disarmament
2. Political Behavior

Following are comments on two new publications received from the External Research Staff, Department of State.

The list on Arms Control and Disarmament provides quick access to U.S. studies in this field. The annotations are informative, and the cross references are helpful. While the individual subject headings are adequate for the number of entries, it may be desirable to consider a grouping of related categories rather than a straight alphabetical arrangement. In many cases the imprint information is not sufficient to lead the user directly to the item cited.

The second issue of the list of current studies on Political Behavior is a great improvement over the first issue, which is also a part of our reference collection. The annotations are good, and the author and geographic area indexes are very helpful.

In depth research we supplement lists, such as yours, with various commercial indexes and other bibliographic tools, especially those which provide the entree to foreign literature. We also receive considerable up-to-date assistance from the card files and report collections maintained by the External Research Staff.

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Dear John:

Enclosed are advance copies of two new External Research publications. Arms Control and Disarmament: Studies in Progress or Recently Completed, is the first in our series of research lists compiled for the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency. It cites some 300 studies prepared outside the government dealing with political, economic, scientific and other aspects of arms control and disarmament.

Political Behavior: A List of Current Studies is the second issue in the External Research series devoted to behavioral science research on political processes and international relations. You may find of particular interest the sections treating current research on Change, Conflict, Leadership, and Negotiation.

The External Research Staff of the Bureau of Intelligence and Research would appreciate your comments on these lists, as well as any suggestions you may have for making future issues more useful.

Sincerely,



Thomas L. Hughes

Enclosures.

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